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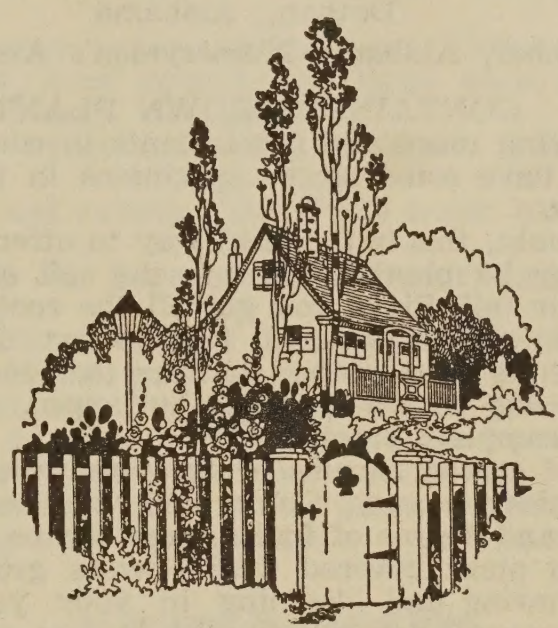




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**PRICE LIST**

*Fall 1952*

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**DOTHAN, ALABAMA**



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

We guarantee our stock to be well grown, true to name, carefully dug, properly packed and delivered to carrier in good order. Since we have no control over conditions beyond this point, we cannot be responsible for the growth or fruitfulness of any plant after it has left our hands.

Unless otherwise stated, we will pay transportation on, and make no charge for packing bare-root shipments. If you compare prices bear this in mind. B&B and container grown plants will be shipped Express Charges Collect and packing will be charged for at cost.

Remit by any convenient method - personal check, money order, or other means. Please do not ask us to ship C.O.D.

If you live in Alabama, don't forget to add the 3% sales tax. We don't like it any more than you do but we have to collect it.

If we are unable to fill your order due to hail, frost, prior sales or any other reason, we reserve the right to refund your money without further obligation.

This list cancels all prior quotations. Prices subject to change without notice.

R. L. Allen and Son

Dothan, Alabama

(Member, Alabama Nurserymen's Association)

## CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

We are growing more and more plants in containers - mostly one gallon - but we have some larger specimens in three gallon and five gallon containers.

Without a doubt, this is the ideal way to offer most species. Plants in containers may be planted out into the soil at any time - winter, summer, spring or fall. Since you get all the roots, there is no shock, no wilting and no setback even in the hottest days of midsummer. Some plants, such as *Pyracantha*, that are extremely difficult to transplant even when dug with a ball and burlapped, can be handled from containers with complete safety.

Regardless of season, shrubs or trees may be chosen and planted at the peak of their beauty. Colors and varieties may be compared. Habit of growth and degree of fruitfulness can be observed.

The *Hibiscus* plant covered with flowers growing in a container today can be growing and blooming in your yard tomorrow. That *Holly* tree or *Pyracantha* complete with berries can be a part of your permanent landscape this afternoon, or this *Kumquat* laden with fruit can be planted now and fruit harvested as soon as ripe.

Truly, container grown plants open many avenues of enjoyment and contentment.

## COME AND SEE!

While space permits the listing of a few of them below, we have many, many varieties of *Hibiscus*. Beginning about April first and lasting throughout the summer, we have more than fifty varieties, hundreds of plants, dozens of colors in bloom.

This is truly a gorgeous sight and you are invited to visit with us and enjoy it. While these container grown plants may be put out at any time, we suggest you plant them in spring so as to have them in bloom the whole summer.

## HIBISCUS

### Single:

**MATENSIS.** Highly variegated foliage, green and white tinged with red. Small pink blooms. Sometimes called "Snow Queen."

**RUTH WILCOX.** (Purity) Large beautiful silvery white. Long lasting flowers. Night bloomer.

**EUTERPE.** Salmon. Free flowering. One of the strongest growers.

**DARK EYED GRANDIFLORA.** Six inch blooms of old rose with darker eye.

**SINGLE SCARLET.** Large, bright red. Vigorous. A MUST for every grower.

**FLORIDA SUNSET.** Petals yellow at tips, shade through orange to red throat.



**PRINCESS TEKAU.** A pretty yellow, shaded orange. Blooms up to six inches across.

**HONOLULU.** Buds show pink. Blossoms almost pure white. Long lasting blooms. Night bloomer.

**CALIFORNIA GOLD.** Large flat, light yellow with pink eye. Good grower.

**DAINTY** (La France) Pink. Small flowered but profuse bloomer. Tall grower.

**FLAME.** Medium size flame colored flowers on strong upright bush.

**MRS. EARL ANTHONY.** Clearest yellow throughout. One of the most beautiful yellows.

**Double:**

**PRIDE OF HANKINS.** A strong growing double pink of fine substance

**FLAMINGO PLUME.** Dusty pink. A beautiful irregular double of good size.

**COLUMBIA.** Large rosy pink. Vigorous plant.

**DOUBLE WHITE.** Creamy, five parted blooms. Petals sometimes tinged pink at base.

**DOUBLE RED.** Blood Red. Very popular.

**AMERICAN BEAUTY.** Large fluffy blooms. Named for the rose it resembles.

**MAHOGANY.** As near brown as they get. Unusual.

**DOUBLE YELLOW.** Slow grower with large, dark, glossy foliage. The bright yellow blooms are gorgeous.

**DELORES.** Lovely irregular blooms of dark lavender, approaching purple.

**PEACHBLOW.** An old variety. One of the freest bloomers for us. Pink of course.

**CHARLES JAMES, JR.** Base petals orange. Center orange and gold. VERY striking.

**MADAM X.** Large loose double. Variegated. White to pink. Petals usually white tipped, pink at base.

**TALISMAN.** Full double. Cup and saucer type. Five outer petals deep yellow. Center filled with curled and curved petals of rosy orange. Far more beautiful than the Talisman rose.

Any of the above varieties in one gallon containers, blooming size, \$1.75 here. Packing and transportation extra. Available only after April first.

### **FLOWERING SHRUBS**

#### **ALTHEA (Rose of Sharon)**

Attractive, upright shrub with blossoms over a long period in summer.

**BOULE DE FEU.** Large, very double red blooms.

**JEANNE D' ARC.** Double, pure snow white.

**ARDENS.** Lavender-violet. Double.

12-18" well branched 75c each.

3 for \$1.75

#### **CRAPE MYRTLE**

##### **(Lagerstroemia Indica)**

A favorite with southern gardeners. Ideal for specimen or street planting. "A Hundred Days of Bloom." Red, White or Dwarf Blue. State color.

12-18" well branched plants 80c each.

3 for \$2.00

**WM. TOOVEY.** Considered by many to be the perfect Crape Myrtle.

Compact grower. Enormous panicles of deep pink blooms of the shade referred to as watermelon-red.

12-18" Well branched plants 85c each.

3 for \$2.25

3-4' Specimens \$2.50 B&B

#### **MAGNOLIA**

**SOULANGEANA.** Symmetrical, upright. Large tulip shaped flowers appearing before the leaves. Pink.

**SOULANGEANA NIGRA.** Similar to above but with purple blooms which appear a little later.

3-4' Plants \$4.00 B&B

**RUSTICA RUBRA.** Similar to Soulangeana but a little later and with reddish purple cup-shaped blossoms.

18-24" gallon containers \$2.00



## FLOWERING POMEGRANATE

Narrow, glistening foliage. Neat and pleasing appearance. Almost evergreen in Florida. Practically immune to insects and diseases. All varieties listed bear double carnation-like blossoms.

**IVORY QUEEN.** Beautiful creamy white blooms. Rare. After listing this variety in 1950, demand was so great that we even sold most of our stock plants and were unable to offer it last year. We feel now that we have enough plants to again list it.

**MADAM LEGRELLE.** Striking variegated variety. Crimson and white.  
18-24" plants \$1.25 each. 3 for \$3.50

**PINKIE.** This one is supposed to be pink but often turns out variegated blooms similar to Madam Legrelle.

3-4' \$1.50 each 3 for \$4.00

**DWARF.** (*Punica Granatum nana*) Prolific bearer of orange-crimson blooms.

18-24" \$1.25 each

**WEIGELA ROSEA.** For breath-taking beauty this dense dark green shrub with hundreds of pink bell-shaped flowers cannot be beat. Seldom grows over six feet tall. Blooms first year.

12-18" plants 60c each 3 for \$1.50 10 for \$4.50

## SWEETSHRUB

(*Calacanthus Floridus*)

Deep purple or chocolate colored blossoms in early spring have delightful aroma.

18-24" 60c each 3 for \$1.60

## POINCIANA

(*Gillesii*)

**DWARF** (Paradise) Shrub or small tree, seldom more than six or eight feet. Lacy foliage. Covers itself with orange, sometimes almost red blossoms followed by interesting four ribbed seed pods. Deserves to be more widely planted.

3-4' \$1.00 each 3 for \$2.50

## ROSES

**PAUL'S SCARLET.** The most popular red climbing or pillar rose. Often planted along driveways, in front of white fences, etc. Profusion of large, double scarlet blooms.

Two year #1 plants 95c each 5 for \$4.25 10 for \$7.50

**LOUIS PHILLIPPE.** The landscape rose. Practically evergreen and everblooming in this section. Deep red. Effective in mass planting, hedges or as specimens.

Two Year #1 \$1.50 each

## EVERGREENS

**PITTOSPORUM TOBIRA.** Glossy green, narrow leaves arranged in whorls. Naturally forms symmetrical mound shaped specimen but can be sheared to any shape. Makes a fine hedge.

12-18" gallon containers \$2.00 each

## HOLLIES

**ILEX VOMITORIA** (Yaupon) Small spineless leaves. Red berries hang on all winter, becoming translucent late in season. May be sheared to any shape. Ideal for hedges.

12-18" \$1.50 ea. B&B 18-24" \$2.00 ea. B&B 3-4' \$3.00 ea. B&B

**ILEX EAST PALATKA.** Glossy spineless leaves of bright green. One of the most prolific bearers of large red berries.

18-24" gallon containers with berries \$3.00 each

**ILEX HOWARDI.** Deep, dark green leaves of medium size with spines. Plenty of red berries. Considered by some to be the most beautiful of the American hollies.

18-24" gallon containers, most plants with berries \$3.00 each

**ILEX CORNUTA.** Chinese holly. Shrub eventually reaching ten to twenty feet if not pruned. Leaves of deepest, glossiest green and amazingly fruitful with extra large red berries. Ilex Cornuta has three spines per leaf while it's variety Burfordi has only one. We have both kinds.

Gallon containers, 18" plants with berries \$2.50 each

Without berries \$1.50



## **CYPRESS**

**ARIZONA.** Pyramidical shape. Light green foliage with bluish overtone. Fast growing, trouble free. Drought resistant. Most beautiful of it's type. Perfect for living Christmas trees. Good for wind-break.

5-6' B&B \$5.00 each

## **LIGUSTRUM**

**LUCIDUM.** (Waxleaf) Fine, inexpensive broadleaved evergreen used as specimen, foundation or hedge.

12-18" B&B \$2.00 each

## **PODOCARPUS**

**MAKI.** Narrow dark green leaves, paler underneath. May be sheared to any shape.

12-18" B&B \$2.50 each

## **PYRACANTHA**

(English Hawthorne, Firethorn)

Nothing approaches the beauty of the berry laden Firethorn in fall and winter. We are fortunate to have a good stock in containers of three outstanding varieties, both in the red berried and orange or yellow berried kind.

**LALANDI.** Most people call this one yellow berried. The color is more correctly a light orange.

Gallon containers 2-3' \$1.75 each

**GRABERI.** An improved beautiful red.

Gallon containers 2-3' \$1.75 each

**FORMOSANA.** Notable for it's immense clusters of large red berries. Vigorous grower.

3 or 5 gallon containers 4-5', loaded with berries. \$5.00 each

## **LOQUAT**

Large deeply veined leaves. Inconspicuous flowers followed by yellow ,oblong juicy fruit with delightful flavor. In some localities known as 'Japanese plum'

Gallon containers 2-3' \$1.75 each

## **BANANA SHRUB**

(*Michelia Fuscata*)

This delightful shrub was once classified with the Magnolia and is still listed by some as Magnolia Fuscata. Bright shiny leaves make it conspicuous but the aroma and appearance of the blossoms give it the name, Banana Shrub.

18" plants, most of them with flower buds, gallon containers, \$2.00 ea.

## **NANDINA DOMESTICA**

(Heavenly Bamboo)

Upright growth, usually of a number of canes, with large clusters of red berries. Plant two or more to insure berries.

Gallon containers \$1.00 each

## **CLEYERA JAPONICA**

One of the nicest shrubs for specimen planting we've seen. Deep glossy green foliage with fruit in late summer and fall like rosy little apples.

12-18" gallon containers \$2.00 each

## **FRUITS**

### **ORIENTAL PERSIMMON**

✓ **TANE NASHI.** Leading commercial variety and the only one that will consistently set fruit without pollination. Large conical fruits are light yellow, deepening toward red when ripe. A tree loaded with fruit is very showy. Finest quality, seedless, prolific.

2-3' bare root \$1.50 each 10 for \$12.50

3-4' bare root \$2.00 each 10 for \$16.50

### **FIGS**

✓ **EVERBEARING.** Large brown delicious figs on first year wood. Hardier than most.

18-24" 80c each 10 for \$7.00

### **MUSCADINES**

✓ **SCUPPERNONG.** White or bronze. Very sweet. We believe we have one of the best strains of this delicious grape.

✓ **THOMAS.** Purple, nearly black. Real muscadine flavor. Vigorous vines.



- **HUNT.** Prolific producer of large, black, sweet grapes.  
#1 plants of above varieties 75c each delivered.

### PEARS

Many varieties of pears are worthless in our section because they are susceptible to the devastating fire blight. We list only blight resistant varieties.

- **PINEAPPLE.** Fruit large, juicy and attractive. Delightful aroma. Excellent for canning and cooking. Blight proof.  
3-4' 80c each      3 for \$2.25      10 for \$6.75 prepaid
- **BALDWIN.** Fruit of highest quality with superior texture and flavor. Fine for eating fresh. Blight resistant.  
3-4' \$1.20 each      3 for \$3.00      10 for \$8.75 prepaid
- **ORIENT.** Nearly round. Creamy white flesh. Mellow, and delicious. Fine for eating out of hand but retains shape well when canned. Named and released by University of Tennessee. Hasn't blighted in more than twenty years observation.  
3-4' \$1.20 each      3 for \$3.00      10 for \$8.75 prepaid

### CITRUS

No shipping on Citrus. Florida law does not permit the shipment of citrus into that state and some other states have restrictions. The following prices are for stock bought and picked up by purchaser at our sales yard at 305 N. Edgewood Drive, Dothan.

### KUMQUATS

- **NAGAMI.** Fruit olive shaped, bright orange color when ripe. Very showy. Skin sweet, inside tart. Makes the finest marmalade and good eating right off the bush.
- **MEIWA.** Fruit round, about one inch in diameter. Yellow when ripe. Sweet all the way through. The best Kumquat for eating fresh.
- M ➤ **MARUNI.** Fruit round, smaller than Meiwa and tart. Yellow when ripe. Amazingly prolific. Perhaps the best grower of the three.  
18" plants in gallon containers, with fruit \$3.00

### SATSUMAS

- **OWARI.** Best of the Satsumas. Delicate, sweet flavor, Seedless or nearly so. Fine stake grown plants. ½ inch diameter, about three feet tall. \$2.25 each bare root.

### NUT TREES

#### PECANS

Just about tops as a shade tree besides the valuable nuts produced. A number of varieties will grow well but unless you are prepared to properly spray them for scab, will drop their nuts before maturity. For the small grower the best answer is to plant varieties resistant to scab and we unhesitatingly recommend Stuart as the most reliable performer.

- **STUART.** Successfully planted over a wider area than any other variety. Large, handsome nuts of good flavor. Keep well. Tree vigorous and productive.
- **MISSISSIPPI GIANT.** Largest papershell variety. Widely known and has been sold under various names such as Mahan, V-Giant, Florida Giant, Gainor and others.

For customers who desire them, we try to keep a few each of the following varieties:

- Schley, ➤ Success, ➤ Moneymaker and ➤ Desirable.

Any of the above varieties not prepaid.

5-6' \$2.50 each      10 for \$22.50  
6-7' \$3.25 each      10 for \$30.00

**PECAN SEEDLINGS.** Make just as good shade as grafted or budded trees. While the nuts are usually small, the trees are prolific bearers. All sizes at half price of budded trees.

#### CHINESE CHESTNUT

Fine sweet nuts, usually in two or three years after planting. Resistant to the blight that killed off our native chestnuts. Young trees are sometimes about as straight as a dog's hind leg but grow fast and soon overcome this. Plant at least two to insure pollination.

18-24" 85c each      3 for \$1.75      12 for \$6.50 prepaid

Again we are able to offer some nicely branched trees of bearing size with fine, heavy root systems. Some bore this year.



3-4' \$2.00 each    4-5' \$2.50 each    5 ft. or over \$3.00 F.O.B.

We have a limited number of fine grafts of the Kuling variety. Produces nuts of exceptional quality and extraordinary size. These trees were staked and most of them are nice straight specimens of more than five feet height. \$5.00 each F.O.B.

#### ENGLISH WALNUT

**WILSON WONDER.** Sometimes called "Jumbo". Nuts often measure more than two inches in diameter. Bears young and abundantly.

4-5 ft. trees \$2.50 each, not prepaid

#### BLACK WALNUT

**THOMAS.** This grafted variety has nuts of large size and finest flavor but the best feature is the thin shells that crack easily and allow the meat to sometimes be removed in halves.

4-5 ft. trees \$2.50 each, not prepaid

#### ORNAMENTAL AND SHADE TREES

**RED MAPLE** (*Acer Rubrum*) Fine shade tree of good habits indigenous to the South. Grows fast. Outstanding for its brilliant foliage in fall.

3-4' 90c each    3 for \$2.25    10 for \$6.50 prepaid

**CATALPA** (*Catalpa Speciosa*) Large leaves, striking flowers followed by unusual, long, bean-like seed pods make this a choice shade tree but many plant it strictly for a "fishbait" tree.

Strong, small plants 12-18" 50c each    3 for \$1.25

10 for \$3.75 prepaid

**CHINESE ELM.** Have been planted by the millions in various sections because of their beauty, their rapid growth and because they will stand dryness and adverse soil conditions that few other trees can tolerate. Make quick shade or windbreak and can be sheared as hedge.

4-5' trees \$1.00 each, not prepaid

**WEeping WILLOW.** Large spreading top with long, pendulous branches. Like plenty of moisture.

4-5' trees \$1.25 each, not prepaid

**LOMBARDY POPULAR.** (*Populus Italica Nigra*) Familiar to everyone. Tall, pyramidal, rapid growing tree. Very desirable.

4-5' trees \$1.00 each

**PINK DOGWOOD.** (*Cornus Florida Rubra*) No tree or shrub possesses a greater measure of attractiveness than the pink dogwood. Similar in every respect to the regular white dogwood except that the blossoms are light red. A tree in full bloom is a magnificent sight in spring. Don't confuse these trees with the sizes usually offered by mail. Ours will usually set buds and bloom after being planted one year.

3-4' nicely branched trees \$4.00 each

#### GRASSES, ETC.

**ST. AUGUSTINE GRASS.** (*Stenotaphrum Secundatum*) This broad leaved grass is excellent for shade as well as sun. Stands dry weather well and keeps its color better than most. Bushel sets about 800 square feet.

per bushel \$2.25

**LIRIOPE MUSCARI.** Broad, dark green, grass-like leaves. Lavender flowers in dense spikes followed by black berries. Used as border plant, ground cover or pot plant.

Divisions 15c each    10 for \$1.25

This is by no means a complete list. We have a number of plants in small quantities both in the field and in containers that we feel we would not be justified in listing. Among these are Gerberas, Pines, Photinias, Abelias (Variety Edward Goucher), Gardenias, Camellias, Plumbago, Cassia Berriana and others. Come to see us. Look around. We might have just what you want.

#### GOT A GREEN THUMB?

We'll do your planting for you if you live in or around Dothan. Having passed the required State examination, we are licensed for Setting and Maintenance of Plants, holding Alabama Permit for Professional Services No. 72. Our charge is reasonable, just enough to cover the cost of labor involved, and we guarantee our plantings to grow.



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